Compensation to the Farmers for Border Fencing

†1445. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether fencing of Indo-Pak border adjoining Rajasthan has been completed; if so, whether there has been any decline in infiltrations thereby; and

(b) whether compensation has been paid to farmers for their land covered under fencing; if so, the amount thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) The barbed wire fencing along Indo-Pak border in Rajasthan sector has been completed except in a stretch of 24 km in shifting sand dune area in Jaisalmer sector. There has been an effective check on illegal crossing and smuggling through this border after erection of security fence and flood light poles close to International border.

(b) As per policy, the State Governments pay compensation to the private owners wherever private land is acquired for fencing and then claim reimbursement from the Government of India. The Government of Rajasthan has not claimed any reimbursement on this account so far.

ISI Plan to Segregate Eastern India

†1446. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Inter Services Intelligence (I.S.I.) of Pakistan has been entrusted with responsibility to segregate Easterns part of India from rest of the country; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) Pakistan ISI is making all out efforts to foment trouble in the North Eastern

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